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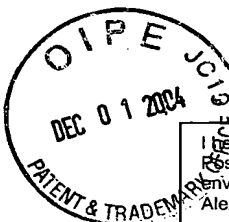
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ASSOCIATED SEQUENCE FOR DEAFNESS,  
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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This submission is in response to the Office Action dated October 1, 2004 (Paper No. 092004), finally rejecting claims 48 and 55-57. Please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 3 of this paper.